Hixburg

Hixburg, March 9.- Spring is now ushered out of an early garden and year. Mr. McDaniel is planting early this spring for has already planted some vegetable seeds.

One new neighbor has Kingsford peas up a week ago and the seedlings planting in the ground.

If you don't believe the wind blew hard last Friday ask the Hix neighbors. A destructive wind took the top of a large shed off and deposited it on their hog tractor and trailer.

After spending three weeks in N. C., Mr. Willie Hix returned to his home on Saturday afternoon. He was accompanied by Mr. A. J. Bengnon and family of Salisbury, N. C. and his sister, Mrs. W. M. Erwin, of Mount Ulla, N. C. The Bengnon were week-end guests in the Hix home. Mrs. Erwin is staying through the week.

Mr. Hix was highly pleased with the medical services received at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem.

Again, Gene Searcy drives by in his pick-up. His new body stays by us late to remove him of the heavy work.

Last week, Mr. Hance van Nes Auen, of Tulsa, was at his summer home for several days. He was engaged in the making of his yearly copy of a letter for summer use.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall is staying in the home of her brother, Mr. L. S. Gilbert (Billie) in Statesville, N. C.

Mrs. Gilbert is enjoying a vacation and shows it. New York City.

Mr. Harry B. Gilbert of Lynchburg called on the Hix and Gilbert on Friday afternoon.

Major W. M. Erwin, Jr., who is stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany, has been asked to remain at Hixburg for a year at that post. He likes the work there and the scenic environment which, so he expects to stay.

The Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black are sick with a virus.

Mrs. Edwin Fore, Jr., has been in with a cold for a week. Mrs. Mae McClintic, her sister who lives in Lynchburg, stayed with her from Tuesday until Friday.

Mr. J. B. Bunkley was taken to the University Hospital in Charlottesville, on Friday. He will be there for two weeks to have his eyes treated.

Big league baseball teams moving forward in spring training programs.

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Jesus' Trial

Lesson for March 15, 1959

THE COURT tries the prisoner or so it is intended. Sometimes the story reverses the court's verdict in such cases those who look back at the trial can see that the prisoner was really trying the court. That is to say, in the eyes of posterity and we may well be the effect of God himself, every trial conducted with the trial will be judged by his attitude to the prisoner and the trial was a trial of God.

Dr. Foreman

Take, for example, the trial of Ann, for example, had a spectacular trial. She was convicted and crucified, standing serenely to every one's approval. But today she is called a Saint. Students of her life and times feel that if any one is that grim courtroom where her death was decreed deserted to die, it was not the Dauphin who betrayed her, some who judged her.

The Judge's Question

Jesus' trial before Pilate is the supreme example of such an upside-down trial. It is the one that makes the prisoner that presents how as thought history would rule him and how the prisoner will be remembered. He would have smiled his grim Roman smile and perhaps said, "What history will not be interested. But if history wants to know, its on the record. I had the last word. Pilate settles it. Doesn't it?" Pilate could not have known that his own sole claim to fame would be the fact that every seven days, all over the world, in hundreds of languages, men and women would repeat the words almost like a curse, "Crucified, Jesus Christ. Let Him Be our Lord, who . . . suffered under Pontius Pilate."

In the course of that wicked farce of a trial Pilate asked a question which has more echoes than he guessed: "Then what shall I do with Jesus?" That is the question by which the participants in that trial were judged; it is the question that judges us today. What will you do with Jesus?

The Mob's Answer

Pilate asked the wrong people what to do with Jesus. He was the judge, he had the responsibility. He never would have thought of asking a Jewish mob for advice on statesmanship or anything else. Yet he goes through the bitter farce of asking a mob, a brainless bloodthirsty mob, what to do with this innocent prisoner. The crowd thought they were passing sentence; but they were only passing sentence on themselves. The voice of the people is not the verdict of history, it is not the voice of truth nor the voice of God. Sometimes it is; but not there and then, not in Jerusalem. Mobs have voices, they have wills, they may have weapons; the one thing they do not have is brains, judgment, wisdom. The verdict of history, verdict of God, is seldom in favor of the mob.

The Fact-Finders

Of course, even a mob's voice has some brains behind it. In this case it was that dignified combination of chief priests and elders and scribes. These were Pilate's fact-finders. Pilate was a typical Roman; he cared less than nothing for local customs, superstitious notions. He did not pretend to understand why this Jesus should be the object of so much hate. When Pilate said, "What evil has he done?" it is very possible that he was not "stalling for time" but really was puzzled to know. The scribes and the elders and the chief priests were his fact-finders, his research team when cases came up out of their courts — and such occasions were rare. If some inquiring reporter has asked some of those chief priests, the afternoon of Good Friday, what part they had in the trial, they would perhaps have said with pride, "We were there. We influenced the result. We were consulted. We gave the advice that changed the governor's mind. That Jesus might have been at large this minute, if it had not been for us."

But is was murder all the same. For these fact-finders had no facts. All they had was prejudice, emotion, name-calling. They influenced the result; but not with truth. Can we say we are never guilty of their crime?

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Appomattox Lions Club and Jaycees plan a horse show here late in May.

Health and Beauty

We have been told that it is healthy to blow our own horn sometimes. Even more, the ever-agressive child reared in a home in which family is every word is spoken of as being an emotional problem in contrast with the child reared in a permissive atmosphere. He may become a well adjusted person capable now to express inner anxiety.

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Vera

Vera, March 10.- Blessed are they that do his commandments that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.- Rev. 22:13.

We surely have been having real March weather. Windy and cool.

Mrs. Lester B. Harvey and Mrs. Harvey Jones were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Thursday night.

Miss Harriette Harvey visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bowman on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey and Harriette visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carson and Sylvia visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Sunday.

Miss Bonnie Webb visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Sunday night.

It's a busy time on the farm, plowing, fixing for a crop, and planting gardens.

Rev. J. P. Leitner is still a supply pastor at New Hope. We are fortunate to have him. We all enjoy his preaching.

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Mrs. Paul Cawthorn and ... Cawthorn, of Appomattox visited Mrs. Ella Jennings ...

... Welch delivered a fine ... at the Baptist Church ... morning.

Alberta Ferguson is spending some time with her son-in-law ... Mr. and Mrs. C. J. ...

... Workers Circle met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred ... last week, with good attendance.

Clara Garrett is visiting her ... Alice Jackson, in Richmond.

Mrs. Latene Jenkins and ... Richmond, spent the week with her father, Mr. R. P. ...

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LOCAL APPOMATTOX WOMANS CLUB SUPPORTS "BALLOT" CAMPAIGN

"We feel that the time has come to step forward and speak out vigorously for driver licensing laws that will operate to reserve the driving privilege for those motorists willing to accept and live up to the responsibilities inherent in the operation of a motor vehicle," said an official of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

"Our lives and health and the lives of our families have too long been jeopardized by a selfish minority of drivers who are incapable or unwilling to drive safely. In my opinion, this campaign for improved driver licensing procedures is the most significant and satisfying program ever undertaken by the General Federation of Women's Clubs."

State legislators throughout the nation will be alerted to feminine concern over state driver licensing laws as the result of a unique "Ballot for Better Drivir Licensing" campaign to be conducted by the General Federation of Women's Clubs, according to Mrs. B. V. Todd, national safety chairman.

The General Federation, which numbers more than seven million members in this country, recently adopted a "Passport to Safety" program to alert its members to the necessity for driver license legislative reforms to improve traffic conditions. The "Ballot for Better Driver Licensing" campaign will dramatize this program and express to state legislators the concern felt by women over the traffic accident problem, according to Mrs. Todd.

Printed ballots urging legislative action to improve state driver licensing programs will be sent to each of the GFWC's 20,000 affiliates throughout the country for signature by the members who will forward the signed ballot to their respective state legislators.

KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

Does a red sunrise indicate rain before the end of the day, as the saying goes?

There is little scientific support for this belief, which is also a part of a rhyme concerning both red sunsets and red sunrises. A red morning merely indicates dusty atmosphere to the west in most areas of the country — not a sign of rain.

A red sunset is an indication, in fall and winter, of dry weather and probably cold weather, more often than not. A red sunrise would seem to have the same value as a weather clue.

Therefore in the famed rhyme about red sunrises and red sunsets, the folklore about the sunrise would often be wrong while the old belief about the sunset would more often than not be correct.

In FASHION now

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Light shades of hare can be fashioned into spring coats and jackets.

Denim has been traditionally used for sturdy work clothes; however, it has been turned into a fashion cloth. You will see it used for dressy long evening skirts, teamed with chiffon, organdy and silk. Some of the spring's most outstanding suits, coats and sportclothes are made of denim. Summer swimsuits are taking advantage of the texture of quality denim.

About The Home

By Frances Dell

It is often said that necessity is the mother of invention. The proof of this adage is all around us and perhaps today's home owner claims best knowledge of it.

The modern house with its fewer rooms and tighter spaces have brought about many innovations in home design and decorating. Modern furniture comes with simple lines that make it easy to clean. New materials are used throughout the home that are designed to come clean with the whisk of a soapy cloth, and take unbelievable punishment.

Poular color schemes revolve around an enlarging monchromatic theme.

Most outstanding of all, however, is the built-in, a wonderful space-saver, which has replaced many pieces of standard furniture in today's dining areas. The built - in is a welcome cure-all to storage problems. Skillful planning and carpentry can create cupboard space where no piece of furniture could possibly fit.

A popular race is to hide a buffet in one wall of the dining area. In this type construction, all shelving and drawers are hidden behind spring-latch doors, and walls and doors are of wood paneling.

Built-ins are loved not only for their saving in space but for their decorative qualities as well. When beautiful woods are used, the built-in becomes an outstanding addition to any room.

Pamplin Rt. 1

Mildred Ann Webber spent last Sunday night with Mary and Martha Chenault, of Appomattox.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webber on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Wade Berry and three children, and Mr. Berry's mother, of Richmond Mr. Lawrence Webber, Mr. Leslie Webber, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Webber and baby girl, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Webber and four children all of Pamplin.

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The Dirty Crooks

Thomson, Ga.- Sheriff Lynn Norris arrested Willie Hampton recently on a charge of stealing a radio from an ice house in October.

Hampton admitted the theft and took the sheriff to a vacant house where the radio had been hidden.

It was gone. Norris said someone had stolen it from Hampton.

'Deodorized' Skunks

San Mateo, Cal.- Jess Reed, 38, of Stockton, California, has received a sentence for petty theft in the case of four allegedly deodorized skunks who weren't.

Reed pleaded guilty to the charge, which was the way the district attorney assessed the seriousness of his sale of four unimpaired skunks to pet dealers after representing them as incapable of doing what skunks are famous for.

The dealers learned the truth the hard way.

British Exports

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